

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : It depends on when we get funds. We have, at present, Rs. 1,000 allotted for that work, while the estimate is for Rs. 29,000.

Expenditure on salaries etc, during the last three years.

39. * **Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad (Jenmies) :** Will the Government be pleased to give a statement showing the total amount of money spent during the last three years under the following heads :

- (a) Salaries ;
- (b) Travelling Allowances ;
- (c) Stationery and Printing ; and
- (d) Contingencies and other allowances ?

Mr. C. S. Krishnasvami Aiyar (Ag. Financial Secretary to Government) : (a), (b) and (c). The total amounts, spent by Government on salaries, Travelling Allowance and Stationery and Printing during the year 1107 to 1109 are as below :—

	Salaries.	Travelling Allowance.	Stationery and Printing.
1107 .	91,16,248	4,27,449	3,36,583
1108 .	91,37,390	4,08,393	2,94,634
1109 .	92,98,084	4,58,911	2,00,744

(d) It is not possible to furnish the information as it is not clear what is meant by other allowances.

Lands available for cardamom cultivation.

40. * **Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

- (a) what is the extent of cardamom lands available for cultivation in Devicolum Division ;
- (b) the extent of lands encroached upon ;
- (c) whether these encroachments were made before 1096 ;
- (d) whether the Forest or Revenue Authorities have taken up any cases against those who are in possession ;
- (e) the extent of land which may be made available for cardamom cultivation ;
- (f) whether those lands are surveyed and demarcated ; and
- (g) the extent of land now ordered to be registered in favour of encroachers and whether those lands are surveyed and demarcated ?

Mr. K. George : (a) The actual extent of land available for cardamom cultivation cannot be given definitely as the areas in question are comprised in vast unsurveyed minor circuits. It is probable that there would be about 50,000 acres in the Cardamom Hills Reserve and 55,000 acres outside that Reserve ;